

# ST. COLUMBA ANGLICAN-UNITED CHURCH

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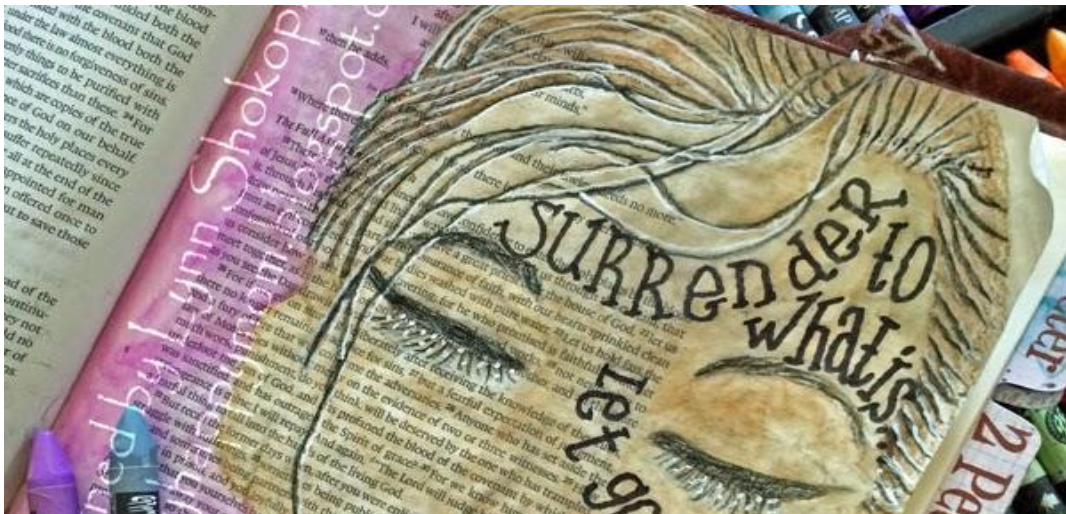
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Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

January 30, 2022

Service of the Word

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## Mission Statement

**As followers of Jesus Christ, our church is a community called to love, honour, worship, and serve God. We invite others to share our Christian journey as we grow in faith and engage in ministry in our town and mission in our world.**

**The Community Gathers**

**Announcements**

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## A Service of the Word

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Let us pray. We thank you, O God, that you have again brought us together, to praise you for your goodness and to ask your blessing. Give us grace to see your hand in the week that is past, and your purpose in the week to come; through Jesus the Christ. **Amen.**

Dear friends in Christ, as we turn our hearts and minds to worship almighty God, let us confess our sins.

Most merciful God,  
**we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved ourselves; we have not loved our neighbours. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus the Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Merciful God, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus the Christ, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*The Peace: from Sanctuary to Satellite to Soul-*

The Peace of Christ be with you!

**And also with you.**

**Hymn: VU 509     I, the Lord of Sea and Sky**

I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
my hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain,  
I have wept for love of them;  
they turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my words to them.  
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame,  
I will set a feast for them;  
my hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide  
till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

Words and Music: Daniel L Schutte.

Collect:

Living God, in Christ you make all things new.  
Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace,  
And in the renewal of our lives make known your glory; through Jesus the Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Proclamation of the Word

Hebrew Scripture: Jeremiah 1: 4-10

Psalms 71: 1-6      VU # 789 Part One

***Refrain: A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing.***  
In you, O God, I seek refuge; may I never be disappointed.  
**In your righteousness, save and rescue me; incline your ear and deliver me.**

Be a sheltering rock for me, a fortress where I may find safety;  
**for you are my rock and my stronghold.**

Rescue me, O God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.

**For you are my hope, my trust from my youth; from the time of my birth I have leaned on you.**

**R: A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing.**

Refrain: Martin Luther.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 13: 1-13

**Hymn: CP 494      Not for Tongues of Heaven's Angels**

Not for tongues of heaven's angels,  
not for wisdom to discern,  
not for faith that masters mountains,  
for this better gift we yearn:  
may love be ours, Lord;  
may love be ours.  
May love be ours, O Lord.

Love is humble, love is gentle,  
love is tender, true, and kind;  
love is gracious, ever patient,  
generous of heart and mind:  
may love be ours, Lord;  
may love be ours.  
May love be ours, O Lord.

Never jealous, never selfish,  
love will not rejoice in wrong;  
never boastful nor resentful,  
love believes and suffers long:  
may love be ours, Lord;  
may love be ours.  
May love be ours, O Lord.

In the day this world is fading,  
faith and hope will play their part;  
but when Christ is seen in glory,  
love shall reign in every heart:  
may love be ours, Lord;  
may love be ours.  
May love be ours, O Lord.

Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith Music: Michael Joncas.

Gospel: May God be with you. **And also with you.**  
The Holy Gospel of Jesus the Christ according to Luke.  
**Glory to you Jesus the Christ!**

Luke 4: 21-30

The Gospel of Christ. **Praise to you, Jesus the Christ!**

### Sermon/ Reflection

#### Intercessions and Thanksgivings

In our Shared Ministry Church Cycles of prayer, we pray for Anna our bishop, for Linda our Primate and for Mark our National Indigenous Archbishop. We pray for the congregation of St. Paul, Nanaimo and the Rev. Clara Plamondon. We also pray for Queens Ave. United, Revelstoke United, Richmond Chinese United, Richmond United, and Robertson Memorial (Nakusp).

We pray for all in authority, Elizabeth our Queen, for Mary our Governor General, for Justin our Prime Minister, John our Premier, Denis our mayor, Kwagutl Chief Ross Hunt Jr., Gwa'sala 'Nakwaxda'wx Chief Paddy Walkus and Quatsino Chief Tom Nelson. We pray that their decisions will benefit the common good, especially to support the marginalized members of our society.

#### **Minute for Mission/ PWRDF**

O Great Spirit,  
whose voice we hear in the winds,  
and whose breath gives life to all the world, hear us.  
We come before you as your children.  
We are small and weak; we need your strength and wisdom.  
Let us walk in beauty,  
and make our eyes ever behold the red and purple sunset.  
May our hands respect the things you have made,  
May our ears be sharp to hear your voice.  
Make us wise,  
that we may know the things you have taught your people,  
the lessons you have hidden in every leaf and rock.  
We seek strength, not to be superior to our brothers and sisters,  
but to live in harmony with ourselves and all your creation.  
Help us to be ever ready to come to you,

so when life fades as a fading sunset,  
our spirits may come to you without shame. **Amen**

**Offertory Hymn: CP 553 Ubi Caritas et Amor**

Live in charity, and steadfast love,  
live in charity, God will dwell with you.

Ubi caritas et amor,  
ubi caritas Deus ibi est.

English words: Taize Community; Music: Jacques Berthier.

**Offertory Response: VU 581 When We Are Living**

Through all our living, we our fruits must give.  
Good works of service are for offering.  
When we are giving, or when receiving,  
we belong to God; we belong to God.

English translations v. 2 George Lockwood 1987. Music: harmony Carlton R. Young

Prayer over the Gifts

God of steadfast love, may our offerings this day, by the power of your Spirit,  
renew us for your service. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Christ. **Amen.**

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Closing Hymn: VU 506 Take My Life and Let It Be**

Take my life, and let it be  
consecrated, all for thee;  
take my moments and my days;  
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move  
at the impulse of thy love;  
take my feet, and let them be  
swift and purposeful for thee.

Take my lips, and let them be  
filled with messages from thee;  
take my intellect, and use  
every power as thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it thine;  
it shall be no longer mine;  
take my heart, it is thine own;  
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; and I will pour  
at thy feet its treasure store;  
take myself, and I will be  
ever, only, all for thee.

Words: Frances Ridley Havergal; Music: unknown

### Doxology

Glory to God,  
**whose power, working in us,  
can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.**  
**Glory to God from generation to generation,  
in the Church and in Christ Jesus,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing  
through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen. Gilakas'la.**

### Announcements

Covid-19 Safety reminders- streaming online only right now. We will reassess on February 16, 2022.

AGM will be Feb 6, 2022 at 1 PM. By Zoom with limited availability in person.

Nominating committee is seeking to fill: 1 position on church council, 1 position on the Ministry and Personnel committee, a United church position on the Ecumenical Society, a garden coordinator and an Alternate Synod delegate. Contact Christine or a warden for additional information.

Canned, dried food, and ready to eat foods are always appreciated.

Mission Focus: Children's Health Foundation of Vancouver Island (Queen Alexandra Hospital)

*Service from SW1 (Supplementary to The Book of Alternative Services)*

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